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Attached please find Resolution No(s). 45 adopted by the Warren County Board of Supervisors at their meeting held on the 20th Day of January, 2012.

JOAN SADY, CLERK OF THE BOARD

Warren County Board of Superbisors

RESOLUTION NO. 45 OF 2012

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Monroe, Bentley, Thomas, Girard, Sokol, Wood and Frasier

SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF SARATOGA AND NORTH CREEK RAILWAY, LLC BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD TO PROVIDE RAIL SERVICE ON THE EXISTING APPROXIMATELY 29.71 MILES OF RAIL TRACK KNOWN AS THE "TAHAWUS LINE" RUNNING FROM NORTH CREEK, NEW YORK WITH TERMINUS AT NEWCOMB, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC has made application to the Surface Transportation Board for permission to re-activate the Tahawus line, and

WHEREAS, once approved for use, Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC intends to utilize the Tahawus line to haul freight and support economic development, and

WHEREAS, existing rail lines have become an increasingly important alternative for shipping and receiving for small to medium size Adirondack businesses as the price of gasoline and diesel fuel increases, and

WHEREAS, the North Country Regional Economic Council Plan identified rail importance as a major component of the regions economic health and calls for the retention of all existing rail lines, and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation and use of the Tahawus rail line as proposed by Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC holds the potential for additional future passenger and tourism services, while accommodating freight shipments to existing businesses, and

WHEREAS, the application of Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC to re-activate the Tahawus line has been met with vehement opposition by Protect the Adirondacks!, Inc. as well as resistence by the NYS DEC, Division of Lands and Forest, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Warren County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses strong support for the application of Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC to the Surface Transportation Board for permission

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to operate the Tahawus line, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall cause certified copies of this Resolution to be presented to the Surface Transportation Board, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Lands and Forest, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, the Hon. Elizabeth O'C. Little, the Hon. Teresa Sayward, the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages and such other officials and entities as deemed appropriate by the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)ss.:
COUNTY OF WARREN)

I, JOAN SADY, Clerk, of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy and the whole thereof of a Resolution duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren, Lake George, New York on the 20th day of January, 2012.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Board of Supervisors on this 20th day of January, 2012.

Clerk, Board of Supervisors Warren County

Joan Bady

(Affix seal above)

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CASE TITLE: SARATOGA AND NORTH CREEK RAILWAY, LLC -OPERATION EXEMPTIONTAHAWUS LINE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on February 2, 2012, I mailed a copy of Warren County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 45 of 2012, Supporting the Application of Saratoga and North Creek Railway, LLC Before the Surface Transportation Board to Provide Rail Service on the Existing Approximately 29.71 Miles of Rail Track Known as the "Tahawus Line" Running From North Creek, New York with Terminus at Newcomb, New York by first class United States Mail and/or electronic transmission to all parties on the Transportation Safety Board's service list, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Joan Sady
Clerk of the Board

Warren County Board of Supervisors

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10 Service List entries found.

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